

Girirra language

Girirra is a Cushitic language of Ethiopia. It has extensive borrowing from Somali.^[2]

Phonology

The following are the phonemes found in Girirra:^[3]

Girirra	
Af Girirra	
Native to	Ethiopia
Region	Elkerre
Ethnicity	Girirra people
Native speakers	<57,000
Language family	Afro-Asiatic <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Cushitic ▪ Lowland East Cushitic ▪ Omo-Tana ▪ East Omo-Tana ▪ Girirra
Language codes	
ISO 639-3	None (mis)
Glottolog	giri1245 (http://glottolog.org/resource/languoid/id/giri1245) ^[1]

Consonant phonemes

	<u>Bilabial</u>	<u>Labio-dental</u>	<u>Alveolar</u>	<u>Post-alveolar (Palato-alveolar)</u>	<u>Palatal</u>	<u>Velar</u>	<u>Glottal</u>
<u>Plosive</u>	b		t d			k g	?
<u>Ejective plosive</u>						k'	
<u>Implosive</u>			d				
<u>Affricate</u>				dʒ			
<u>Ejective affricate</u>				tʃ'			
<u>Fricative</u>		f	s	ʃ			h
<u>Nasal</u>	m		n		n		
<u>Trill</u>			r				
<u>Approximant</u>					j		
<u>Lateral approximant</u>			l				

Vowels

	Front	Central	Back
Close	/i/, /i:/		/u/, /u:/
Mid	/e/, /e:/		/o/, /o:/
Open		/a/, /a:/	

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Further reading

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